

CHANGES IN DISEASE INCIDENCE

Incidence rates for several diseases monitored by Disease Control Programs in 1996 were markedly different from those in 1995. The percent change in incidence during 1996 compared to 1995 is presented in Table F for those diseases where at least 10 cases were reported in either 1995 or 1996, and substantial change was observed.

Table F. Percent Change in Incidence of Selected Notifiable Communicable Diseases, Los Angeles County, 1996

| Disease | 1995 | 1996 | Percent Change |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| Discuse | | 1770 | |
| Vibrio | 0.14 | 0.26 | 88.9 |
| Typhus fever | 0.13 | 0.18 | 43.4 |
| Hepatitis unspecified | 0.25 | 0.32 | 25.5 |
| Malaria | 0.87 | 0.66 | -23.5 |
| Legionellosis | 0.18 | 0.14 | -26.1 |
| Cryptosporidiosis | 2.41 | 1.67 | -30.9 |
| Strongyioidiasis | 0.19 | 0.12 | -36.2 |
| Shigellosis | 19.96 | 12.70 | -36.4 |
| Encephalitis | 0.67 | 0.37 | -44.9 |
| Kawasaki Syndrome | 0.45 | 0.23 | -49.5 |